नार्दर्न कोलफील्ड्स लि० का गठन किया गया है ।

Automatic Telephone Exchanges in Uttar Pradesh

1445. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of automatic telephone exchanges functioning in Uttar Pradesh as on 31st December, 1985;

(b) the names of districts where these automatic telephone exchanges are located;

(c) what are the plans of Government to convert manual telephone exchanges into automatic telephone exchanges and to set up new automatic telepnone exchanges in Uttar Pradesh and if so, the locations thereof; and

(d) by when the work is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) 720.

(b) These are spread over all the 67 districts of U.P.

(c) and (d) It has been planned to automatise the existing manual telephone exchanges at the following places during Seventh Plan period:-

Banda, Chamoli, Fatehpur, Ghazipur, Hamirpur, Jhansi, Lalitpur, Orai, Pauri, Pithoragarh, Sultanpur, Uttar Kashi, Maunath Bhanjan and Sultanpur (near NOIDA).

It has been planned to set up progressively about 150 small automatic telephone exchanges of size 25 to 50 lines at various places in the State against telephone demands during the 7th Plan.

Completion of Power Projects

1446. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an over run in the time schedule and cost in the completion of power projects undertaken by N.H.P.C.:

(b) if so, the reasons thereof and the amount of cost escalation and time escalation: and

(c) whether it is going to affect the pricing of power supply from these plants and if so, to what extent?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) There is an overrun in the time schedules and costs of the Salal, Dulhasti, and Tanakpur projects of National Hydro Electric Power Corporation. The construction work on the Koel Karo project has not started so far.

(b) and (c) The information is given in the enclosed statement.

statement

Name of the project	Time overrun	Cost Escalation (Rs. in crores)	Reasons	Increase in sale rate of power (paise per KWH)
1	2	3	4	5
Salal	About 8 years from the original schedule of commissioning of the first unit in 1975.	435.30	The project construction was started in 1970. NHPC took it over in 1978, when the expected completion schedule of the project was 1987 and the project will be completed accordingly. The over-runs are due to the increases in the scope of work, revision of installed capacity from 270 MW to 345 MW, changes in the design of the pro-	28.87

1	2	3	4	5
			ject, including shifting of the dam site from the left to the right bank, adverse geological features, encountering of water surcharged shear zones in the tail race tunnel natural calamities, and disturbed conditions in the project area.	
Dulhasti	Not yet quantified.	248.85 (Provisional)	Delay in tying up funds required for the project.	27.41 (Provisional)
Tanakpur	Not yet quantified.	Cost estimates not yet revised	Non-availability of forest land required for the project.	Cost estimates not yet revised

Foreign Collaboration in Industry

1447. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 43 per cent of the proposals of foreign collaboration during the last four years ending 1981 became infructuous;

(b) if so, whether the fourth Survey of foreign collaboration in Indian Industry 1977-78 to 1980-81 conducted by the Reserve Bank of India shows that the number of infructuous proposals from East European countries were almost twice those of effective agreements with these countries; and

(c) if so, what are the other points that have been highlighted by the survey and steps taken by Government to remove the defects pointed out by them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

विद्युत बोर्डों को हुआ घाटा

1448. **श्री प्यारे लाल खंडेलवाल :** क्या **ऊर्जा** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1984-85 में देश में विद्युत् बोर्डों को कुल कितना घाटा हुआ और

(ख) इस घाटे के क्या कारण हैं और भविष्य में घाटे न होने देने के लिए क्या दिशानिर्देश जारी किए गए हैं ?

ऊर्जा मंत्री (श्री बसंत साठे) : (क) वर्ष 1984-85 के उपलब्ध अनन्तिम लेखों के अनुसार असम, बिहार, हरियाणा, हिमाचल प्रदेश, मध्य प्रदेश, महाराष्ट्र, मेघालय, पंजाब, राजस्थान, तमिलनाडु, उत्तर प्रदेश और पश्चिम बंगाल के राज्य बिजली बोर्डों को उक्त वर्ष में 399.90 करोड़ रुपये की हानि हुई है।

(ख) कार्यनिष्पादन की समीक्षा करने और राज्य बिजली बोर्डों को हुई हानियों के प्रमुख कारणों का पता लगाने के बाद केन्द्र सरकार समय-समय पर विभिन्न उपायों का सुझाव देती रहती है, जिनमें ये शामिल हैं :—

(1) ताप विद्युत केन्द्रों के कार्यनिष्पादन में सुधार करना

(2) पारेषण और वितरण हानियों को कम करना ;

(3) निर्माणाधीन परियोजना को शीघ्र चालू करना ;

(4) बिजली की टैरिफों को युक्तिसंगत बनाना;

(5) बिल बनाने और वसूली करने की प्रणाली को नियमित करके बकाया राशि में कमी लाना।